

# **KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

## **STAFF NOTE**

### **Action/Consent Item:**

District facility plan amendment: Henderson County School District

### **Applicable Statute or Regulation:**

702 KAR 4:180

### **Action Question:**

Should the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) approve the proposed amendment to the current District Facility Plan for Henderson County Schools?

### **History/Background:**

#### ***Existing Policy.***

KRS 157.420 requires that the capital outlay and Facilities Support Program of Kentucky (FSPK building fund) allotment from the public school funds is used by school districts for capital construction projects defined by the district's long range facility plan per 702 KAR 4:180.

KRS 157.620 requires each school district to establish unmet facility needs (equal the sum of all capital construction priorities from the district facility plan less local available revenue) to participate in the School Facilities Construction Commission (SFCC) offer of assistance.

The Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) is required to approve all District Facility Plans submitted by the local school district upon recommendation by the Commissioner of Education. The amendment hearing report is attached.

Division staff has reviewed the non-resident agreements and the number of "out of district" students in each school district affected. (This information is attached.)

### **Staff Recommendation & Rationale:**

Staff recommends that the KBE approve the proposed amendments to the District Facility Plan for the Henderson County School District. The plan was developed in accordance with 702 KAR 4:180. The Division of Facilities Management staff certifies that all requested actions are justified, meet the intent to provide upgraded facilities, and are in accordance with all applicable statutes and regulations.

**Impact on Getting to Proficiency:**

In Standard 4 of the Standards and Indicators for School Improvement, it is noted that the school's physical environment has an impact on student achievement. Research also indicates that better facilities enhance equity (equal opportunities for all students), attitudes and retention of staff, and parental involvement.

**Groups Consulted and Brief Summary of Responses:**

Public forums and a local public hearing were held in the school district.

**Henderson County**

The Local Planning Committee (LPC) voted 13-0 to approve the proposed amended plan. The Board voted 5-0 to approve the proposed amended plan.

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